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1. SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS RETURNED TO WORK APRIL 1, ENDING A STRIKE WHICH HAD KEPT A LITTLE UNDER 500,000 STUDENTS OUT OF SCHOOL FOR 30 DAYS, FOLLOWING EXPRESSIONS OF PUBLIC CONCERN AND STRONG PRESSURE FROM PARENTS FOR A SETTLEMENT. THE MINISTERS OF FINANCE AND OF LABOR PERSONALLY TOOK PART IN THE FINAL NEGOTIATIONS IN A SHOW OF GOVERNMENT DETERMINATION TO END THE STRIKE. IN ORDER TO RECOVER MOST OF THE DAYS LOST BECAUSE OF THE STRIKE, THE SCHOOL EASTER VACATION IS BEING CUT SHORT AND THE SCHOOL TERM WILL BE EXTENDED INTO THE SUMMER VACATION PERIOD BY TEN DAYS.

2. THE SOME 18,000 TEACHERS AGREED TO RETURN TO WORK WHEN THE GOVERNMENT OFFERED TO ESTABLISH A PREDETERMINED "OVERTIME" ALLOWANCE FOR TEACHERS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1971. THE TEACHERS WILL APPARENTLY RECEIVE THE ALLOWANCE, BASED ON A SPECIAL SCHEDULE,
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WHETHER OR NOT THEY ACTUALLY WORK OVERTIME. THE GOVERNMENT ALSO PROMISED THE TEACHERS THAT THEIR DEMANDS FOR SALARY INCREASES WOULD BE CONSIDERED UNDER A NEW UNIFORM PAY SCHEDULE FOR ALL GOVERNMENT WORKERS WHICH IS UNDER STUDY AND WHICH IS TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY JANUARY 1, 1978 "AT THE LATEST."

3. ANOTHER STRIKE BY PRIVATE SCHOOL TEACHERS, AFFECTING APPROXIMATE-

LY 150,000 STUDENTS, CONTINUED INTO ITS FIFTH WEEK. THE SCHOOL OWNERS AND THE GOVERNMENT HAVE SO FAR REJECTED THE PRIVATE TEACHERS' PRINCIPAL DEMAND THAT THEY BE GRANTED PERMANENT TENURE SIMILAR TO THAT OF PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS.
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